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TO DIRECTOR 62-109060 AND DALLAS

FROM NEW ORLEANS 89-69

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO, SIXTYTHREE. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING.

REMYTELS MARCH SIXTEEN INSTANT.

RE: MORNING SESSION OF HEARING, MARCH SIXTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN.

RADIO AND TV NEWS BROADCASTERS REPORTED AT ELEVEN THIRTY A.M. INSTANT THAT PERRY RAYMOND RUSSO WAS AGAIN UNDER DEFENSE QUESTIONING IN CONNECTION WITH THE HEARING IN ORLEANS PARISH CRIMINAL COURT. IT WAS REPORTED THAT DEFENSE QUESTIONING BROUGHT OUT ADMISSION BY RUSSO THAT HE HAD BEEN HYPNOTIZED BY DR. ESMOND A. FATTER ON THREE OCCASIONS BETWEEN FEBRUARY TWENTYFOUR TO MARCH THIRTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN. RUSSO WAS UNABLE TO FURNISH SPECIFIC DATES OF THE HYPNOSES.

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DR. FATTER HAS BEEN SUPOENAED AS A STATE WITNESS IN THIS MATTER.

DEFENSE ALSO ASKED RUSSO IF HE HAD ONCE TRIED TO JUMP OUT OF A WINDOW AT THE CHARLES J. COLTON, JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL IN NEW ORLEANS AND RUSSO DENIED THIS AND ALSO DENIED EVER HAVING

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ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

DEAN ANDREWS, JR., ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY FROM JEFFERSON PARISH, LOUISIANA, TESTIFIED BEFORE THE ORLEANS PARISH GRAND JURY INSTANT DATE IN ANSWER TO A SUPOENA BUT DECLINED TO FURNISH ON RADIO AND TV INTERVIEW ANY OF HIS TESTIMONY BEFORE GRAND JURY. REPORTERS ADVISED THAT FRANK LANGRIDGE, DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF JEFFERSON PARISH, HADD ANNOUNCED THAT ANDREWS WAS BEING RELIEVED OF HIS DUTIES WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OFFICE UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE GARRISON PROBE MATTER HAS BEEN RESOLVED.

TV REPORTERS OUTSIDE ORLEANS PARISH CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING AT TWELVE FORTY P.M. INSTANT DATE ADVISED THAT INSTANT HEARING HAD BEEN RECESSED FOR LUNCH UNTIL TWO P.M.

REPORTERS CITED THE FOLLOWING PERTINENT TESSTIMONY OF RUSSO:

RUSSO ADMITTED SEEING OSWALD, CLEAN SHAVEN AND WELL DRESSED IN EARLY OCTOPER NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE AT A TIME WHEN OSWALD WAS LEAVING FOR HOUSTON, TEXAS. IN ANSWER TO CROSS EXAMINATION RUSSA DID NOT RECOGNIZE OSWALD FROM PHOTOGRAPHS BECAUSE HE ONLY SAW OSWALD FOR APPROXIMATELY EIGHT TO TEN MINUTES AT THE

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RESIDENCE OF DAVE FERRIE WHEN OSWALD WAS DEPARTING FOR HOUSTON.

RUSSO, IN RESPONSE TO CROSS EXAMINATION, EXAMINED PHOTOS TAKEN OF THE INTERIOR OF FERRIE'S APPARTMENT AFTER FERRIE'S DEATH AND POINTED OUT THE POSITIONS IN THE ROOMS TAKEN BY FERRIE, CLAY BERTRAND, OSWALD AND HIMSELF ON THE OCCASION WHEN THE ALLEGED PLOT WAS DISCUSSED.

RUSSO DENIED MAKING AND CONTRIBUTION WHILE THE PLOT WAS BEING DISCUSSED.

THE PRESIDING JUDGES AT THE HEARING ARE REPORTEDLY DISCUSSING THE POSSIBILITY OF HOLDING NIGHT SESSION IN VIEW OF THE SLOW PROGRESS CURRENTLY BEING MADE IN INTERROGATION OF WITNESSES.

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